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SUBJECT: ROKG CONSIDERS RATIFICATION OF 2005 SUA PROTOCOLS

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(U) In an April 19 meeting with MOFAT Multilateral Treaties Division Deputy Director You Jun-ki, poloff urged the ROKG to view the two new 2005 protocols to the UN Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts Against the Safety of Maritime Navigation (SUA) in a favorable light. While recognizing the importance of countering terrorism and proliferation of items of concerns, You noted that the ROKG would have to incorporate unspecified changes into its domestic legislation before it would be in a position to ratify the protocols. Undertaking to share our request with other relevant sections, You said that MOFAT would proceed with the ratification process as quickly as possible.